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1. SINCE AMNESTY RESOLUTION HAS ALREADY BEEN CIRCULATED,
USDEL SHOULD PROCEED TO INTRODUCE IT AT HUMAN RIGHTS
COMMISSION (HRC), EXPLAINING ITS PURPOSES AND IMPORTANCE
US ATTACHES TO THIS ISSUE.

2. IN CONCLUDING INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION, USDEL SHOULD
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STATE THAT IT HOPES THIS SIMPLIFIED RESOLUTION WILL COMMEND

ITSELF TO OTHER MEMBERS AND THAT, IF IT DOES, WE WOULD FAVOR RECORDING THIS BY VOTE. HOWEVER, WE DO NOT INSIST ON A VOTE AND WOULD ALSO BE PREPARED TO LEAVE THE RESOLUTION ON THE TABLE IN HOPES THAT HRC MEMBERS WOULD REFLECT ON IT. ADDITIONAL ADVANTAGE TO NOT PRESSING RESOLUTION TO A VOTE IS THAT IT WOULD OFFER US THE OPTION OF PROPOSING SAME RESOLUTION, WITHOUT DAMAGING AMENDMENTS, IN ANOTHER FORUM AT SOME POINT IN FUTURE. THIS COULD ALSO SERVE AS BASIS FOR RESPONSE TO PRESS INQUIRIES.

3. PRIOR TO MAKING THIS INTRODUCTION, USDEL SHOULD OUTLINE THIS STRATEGY TO FRIENDLY EUROPEANS AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO SPEAK AND LOBBY IN SUPPORT AMONG OTHER HRC MEMBERS.

4. IF USDEL'S JUDGMENT, AFTER CONSULTATIONS WITH FRIENDLY DELS, IS THAT ITS RESOLUTION CAN BE ADOPTED WITHOUT DAMAGING CHANGES, IT IS AUTHORIZED TO PRESS FOR VOTE. INGERSOLL

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